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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, VS, KS

SUBJECT: KOREANS IN SAIGON

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1. FONMIN TOLD AMBASSADOR EVENING JUNE 30 THAT LATEST WORD ABOUT KOREANS LEFT IN SAIGON IS NOT REPEAT NOT ENCOURAGING. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR HITOMI BRIEFED KOREAN AMBASSADOR IN BANGKOK FOLLOWING HIS ARRIVAL FROM SAIGON.

2. ACCORDING TO HITOMI, PRG TOOK INTO CUSTODY JUNE 18 TWO MEMBERS OF FORMER KOREAN EMBASSY, KCIA OFFICIAL AND KOREAN NATIONAL POLICE OFFICIAL. MINISTER LEE, SENIOR KCIA OFFICIAL IN SAIGON, IS MOVING FROM PLACE TO PLACE IN ORDER TO AVOID PRG ARREST. REMAINING MEMBERS OF KOREAN EMBASSY HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO BOARD UN SPONSORED AIRCRAFT GOING TO BANGKOK; THEY HAVE BEEN PREVENTED FROM DEPARTING BY NVN OFFICIALS WHO NOW CONTROL AIRPORT ENTRY AND EXIT. HITOMI ALSO REPORTED THAT LARGE  
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QUANTITY OF RICE GIVEN KOREAN EMBASSY BY ICRC WAS

SUBSEQUENTLY CONFISCATED BY PRG.

3. ROKG CONTACTED UN, ICRC AND FRENCH GOVERNMENT TO  
SEEK ASSISTANCE IN GAINING PERMISSION FOR KOREAN  
EMBASSY TO DEPART FROM SAIGON. FONMIN ASKED WHETHER WE HAD  
ANY FURTHER SUGGESTIONS ON ACTIONS ROKG MIGHT TAKE.  
KOREANS ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT FATE OF KCIA AND  
KNP OFFICIALS.  
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